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EXCERPTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE YEAR 1914.

Treasurer's Report.

The total investments amount to \$260,918.14. The real estate owned by the Society consists of the Hall at Thirteenth and Locust streets, carried on the books at the original cost of the Patterson property (\$154,457.43), and the house and lot 3408 Spring Garden street, belonging to the Smedley Fund (\$7129.20). During the year 1914 the expenditures of the Library Fund have exceeded the income by \$1276.98. The expenditures of the Binding Fund show an excess of \$414.71 over income. All the other Funds have kept within their incomes.

The total vested funds of the Society show an increase over the same time last year of \$2750.00.

General Fund

Investments \$7,326.42

Which includes:

Legacy of Paul Beck	\$100.00
Athenian Institute Donation	350.00
Legacy of Peter S. Duponceau	200.00
Legacy of Thomas Sergeant	100.00
Legacy of George Chambers	100.00
Legacy of Jesse George	1,000.00
Legacy of Mrs. Eliza Gilpin	5,100.00

Real Estate 154,457.43

Cash 617.46

\$162,401.31

Endowment Fund.

Investments \$97,165.40

Which includes:

Donation, John William Wallace	\$500.00
Donation, George de B. Keim	500.00
Donation, Charles Hare Hutchinson	100.00
Legacy of Mrs. Susan Barton	500.00
Donation of John F. Smith	2,000.00
Legacy of William Bradford	200.00
Legacy of Rebecca Darby Smith	1,201.49
Legacy of William Man	5,000.00
Legacy of William C. Jeanes	10,000.00
Legacy of Mary Dickinson Fox	1,000.00
Legacy of George Plumer Smith	25,000.00
Legacy of Ellen Waln	2,041.00
Legacy of Esther F. Wistar	5,000.00
Legacy of Francis R. Bryan	5,513.26
Legacy of Joseph E. Gillingham	1,000.00
Donation, William Brooke Rawle	1,400.00
Donation, Miss Mary W. Paul	1,000.00

Cash 601.69

\$97,767.09

Publication Fund.

Investments \$41,589.40

Which includes Life Subscriptions and:

Legacy of James Hamilton	\$500.00
Legacy of Miss Annie Willing Jackson ...	100.00

Cash 276.00

\$41,865.40

Howard Williams Lloyd Fund.

Investments \$4,823.41

Cash 176.59

\$5,000.00

Ferdinand J. Dreer Collection of Manuscripts.

Investments \$17,008.25

Cash 1,616.75

\$18,625.00

Library Fund.

Investments \$20,464.55

Which includes:

Donation of George W. Smith \$1,000.00
 Legacy of Jesse George 4,000.00
 Donation of John William Wallace 1,000.00
 Donation of John Jordan, Jr. 500.00
 Legacy of William Man 8,000.00
 Legacy of Horatio Gates Jones 4,505.06

Cash 40.45

\$20,505.00

Binding Fund.

Investments \$7,127.11

Which includes:

Donation of Dr. Thomas B. Wilson \$700.00
 Donation of John Jordan, Jr. 1,000.00
 Donation of Penn. Manuscript Fund 1,000.00
 Legacy of William Man 2,000.00
 Mrs. John F. Combs 1,000.00

Cash 102.57

\$7,229.68

Samuel L. Smedley Fund.

Investment, Real Estate \$7,129.20

Cash over invested 979.58

\$6,149.62

Charles J. Stitle Fund.

Investments \$10,027.50

Cash over invested 27.50

\$10,000.00

R. J. C. Walker Memorial Endowment Fund.

Investments \$50,000.00

Charles L. Lamberton Fund.

Investments \$2,193.05

Cash 181.95

\$2,375.00

William Lanier Fund.

Investments	\$2,193.05
Cash over invested	256.05
	\$1,937.00

Thomas Balch Fund.

Investments	\$1,000.00
Cash	22.43
	\$1,022.43

William H. Jordan Fund.

Cash	\$1,000.00
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Librarian's Report.

The accessions to the Library and Collections by gift and purchase have been:—

1277 Books,
5190 Pamphlets,
5086 Manuscripts,
416 Maps and Charts,
6492 Miscellaneous articles.

To the *Dreer Collection* have been added 552 manuscripts.

Through the *Lanier Bequest* for the purchase of North Carolina publications and manuscripts have been added 4 books, 4 pamphlets and 20 manuscripts.

To the *Gilpin Library* have been added 11 books and 2 pamphlets.

From *The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania* have been received the following manuscript records:

Index to Queries and Answers printed in the *North American* from June 6, 1907–February 7, 1909.

Lee Wills on Accounts Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1650–1698.

Philadelphia Directory, 1767–1768.

Roscoe Genealogical Notes.

Glenn Manuscripts.

Records of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Vol. I, Baptisms, Marriages, Burials.

Records of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Vol. II, Minutes, 1760-1850.

Index to Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, Births and Burials, 1686-1829.

Yellow Fever Deaths in Philadelphia, 1793, '97, '98.

Dorchester Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester Co., Md., and Coventry Parish, Somerset Co., Md.

Sussex County Delaware Papers, Volumes I and II.

In the *Manuscript Division* 63 volumes were arranged and bound.

17,110 manuscripts were repaired and mounted, 146 books were repaired and bound and 71 maps and 177 large documents were mounted.

For the Dreer Collection 300 letters and documents were repaired and 535 manuscripts were mounted in books.

Deserving of special mention are the following accessions:—

Manuscript of Thompson Westcott's History of Philadelphia, from the date it ceased to appear in the *Sunday Dispatch* down to the Consolidation of the City, presented by Mr. Westcott's daughter, Mrs. G. B. Young.

2 books, 1 pamphlet, 16 manuscripts, 14 original pen and ink sketches by F. O. C. Darley, and an oil portrait of Lieut. James M. Burns, presented by Charles M. Burns.

29 manuscripts, chiefly correspondence of Dr. Samuel Jackson, 1862-1863, presented by Robert Cheesborough Rathbone.

4 books, 2 pamphlets and 31 photographs, presented by Joseph Jackson.

19 books, 284 pamphlets and 27 miscellaneous articles, presented by E. Russell Jones.

2 manuscripts, Oath of Patrick Gordon as Chancellor of Pennsylvania, February, 1726/7, and a letter describing the Yellow Fever in Philadelphia, presented by Richard Waln Meirs.

A collection of Lincoln Relics, comprising 22 books, 1 pamphlet, 43 manuscripts and 39 miscellaneous articles, presented by the residuary legatees of the estate of the late Louis Vanuxem and William Potter.

12 autograph letters of John Sergeant, presented by Professor D. J. Miller.

16 manuscripts, 1689-1750, presented by C. P. Fox.

4 manuscripts, reports of the Banks of Philadelphia which advanced money to the Commonwealth for the payment of the Militia during the Rebel invasion of Pennsylvania, 1863, presented by Mrs. Harry Rogers.

2 books, 171 manuscripts, 2 charts, correspondence and genealogical data of Commodore Conner, collected by P. S. P. Conner, presented by Mrs. P. S. P. Conner.

34 volumes, the original copy of the Statutes-at-Large of Pennsylvania, from the Commissioners appointed to prepare same.

Oil painting of Kelly's Dam, Germantown, painted by Christian Schusselle and Paul Weber, presented by E. H. Butler.

22 manuscripts, comprising 2 letters of Benjamin Franklin to Hugh Roberts, 6 letters of Hugh Roberts to Benjamin Franklin, 2 deeds signed by William Penn and other documents; also 2 silver tankards belonging to Edward Roberts (1680-1741), presented by Mrs. Charles Morton Smith.

Cox-Parrish-Wharton Papers, comprising 73 books, 38 pamphlets, 8 volumes of scrap books relating to the Quakers, miscellaneous subjects and engravings, 29 volumes of account books, diaries, etc., 2214 manuscripts, including an original letter of William Penn, 528 engravings, photographs, broadsides, etc., and 23 maps, presented by Mrs. Rodman Wharton.

Silver pitcher, presented to Dr. Joseph Parrish by the City of Philadelphia, March, 1833, for his services during the Cholera Epidemic and show-case to exhibit it, presented by Samuel L. Parrish.

Church Record and Account Books of the Beaver Meadow Presbyterian Church, presented by Mrs. Mary S. McNair.

Diary of Thomas F. Pleasants, 1814-1817, 4 volumes, manuscript, presented by Mr. Henry Pleasants.

From the estate of Miss Elizabeth S. Shippen, oil portrait of Jenny Galloway Shippen, painted by Benjamin West, and oil portrait of Colonel Joseph Shippen, from the original, by Miss Mary Peale.

10 manuscripts and an oil portrait of Daniel Sutter, a prominent merchant of this city about a century ago, presented by William Henry Sutter.

23 books, 20 pamphlets, 31 maps, presented by John J. L. Houston.

A Mirror, a wedding present to Hannah Preston and Samuel Carpenter from Samuel Preston, the father of Hannah, brought from England in 1711, bequest of Susan M. Carpenter.

Muster Roll of the 96th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, 1861-1864, presented by Charles F. Williams.

A silver fire Horn, presented to the Marion Hose Company, of Philadelphia, and by them presented to Charles F. Iseminger, bequest of Charles F. Iseminger.

Oil portrait of Dr. James J. Levick, artist L. Sturm, and 42 manuscripts, covering dates from 1668 to 1888, presented by Lewis J. Levick.

4 books, 97 pamphlets, 166 miscellaneous, presented by Hon. John B. McPherson.

A collection of Penn material, consisting of William Penn's Journals in Ireland and in Germany and Holland, miniatures of Sir William Penn and his wife and 33 letters and documents, letters of William Penn,

Hannah Penn, Sir William Penn, and others, and documents relating to affairs in Pennsylvania, purchased by the Library Fund.

Diary of Edward Garrigues and notes by Edward and Thomas Garrigues, presented by Sarah C. Penny-packer and Matilda Garrigues.

Oil portrait of Major Peter Fritz, of the National Greys, presented by Miss F. C. Fritz.

French Masonic Clock, made in Paris in 1771, presented by Mrs. Emma P. J. Braybon.

Schmaltz Family Bible, presented by the heirs of John Henry Schmaltz.

5 books, 43 maps, 1 broadside and 15 engravings, an addition to the Humphreys Collection of Manuscripts, presented by Miss Letitia A. Humphreys.

55 books, 76 pamphlets, from the Library of the late Thomas H. Montgomery, presented by Mrs. Thomas H. Montgomery.

Oil portrait of General Zachary Taylor, painted by J. Attwood, in Monterey, in 1847, presented by Hon. James Clarency.

Thompson Westcott's History of Philadelphia, extra illustrated and enlarged to 32 volumes by David McNeely Stauffer, presented by the late David McNeely Stauffer.

Play Bill of a Benefit for the Colleges of Philadelphia and New York, to be given in the Royal Theatre, Drury Lane, London, April 27 (1763), presented by Captain Arthur Grant.

18 manuscripts, presented by Ewing Jordan, M.D.

18 deeds and other manuscripts, presented by Samuel E. Stokes.

15 volumes of English Parish Registers and 3 manuscripts, presented by William Brooke Rawle.

Photograph Album, containing 61 photographs of officers and soldiers of the Civil War and others, presented by Mrs. P. H. Ashbridge.

Scrap Book, containing a sketch and correspondence of Dr. William Gamble, presented by Dr. William J. Middleton.

9 books, 1 pamphlet, presented by Thomas Willing Balch.

21 manuscripts, Muster Rolls of Company C, 118th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, presented by Levi Teal.

Balance Wheel of Fitch's Steamboat, the first on the Delaware, presented Theodore Thomas.

Hat, cape, spanner and belt of the Diligent Engine Company, belonging to John B. Camac, presented by William Masters Camac.

2 volumes containing 81 water color views of Bucks County, Penna., by A. Kollner, purchased by the Library Fund.

Other important purchases by the Library Fund are the following:—

306 surveys of wards and districts of Philadelphia; 4132 newspapers, a collection made by Richard Rush while Secretary of State, endorsed and the reasons for their preservation on many of them, in the handwriting of Richard Rush; 373 letters of Alexander H. Stephens to his Secretary, William H. Hidell; a book of manuscripts containing a letter of Benjamin Furly to William Penn, 1684; letter to the Governor, signed by Edward Shippen, Samuel Carpenter, David Lloyd and twelve others; Petition to Assembly, 1706, 24 signatures, among them David Lloyd, William Hudson, Samuel Richardson, Francis Rawle, &c.; Wedding certificate signed by William Smith; Letter of Washington to Captain Van Heer, 4 pp., 1781; letters of Lafayette, John Hancock, Henry Clay, Bushrod Washington, Albert Gallatin, Aaron Burr, George Peabody, Sir Colin Campbell, Chief Justice John Marshall, James Buchanan, and others.

Valuable donations to the Library and Collections have also been made by the following members and friends of the Society:—

Louis Ashbrook, Charles S. Bradford, Miss Emily Bell, William Vincent Byars, Mrs. John G. Bullock, Col. John S. Bishop, Hon Norris S. Barratt, Misses Cresson, Miss Josephine Carr, Charles Collins, Hon. Hampton L. Carson, Mrs. Hampton L. Carson, Charles J. Cohen, Charles G. Darrach, Albert J. Edmunds, Miss Elliott, Howard B. French, Walter C. Gold, A. G. Heaton, Mrs. Thomas R. Harper, Samuel F. Houston, Theodore M. Hart, William MacPherson Hornor, Dr. John W. Jordan, Dr. Gregory B. Keen, William W. Longstreth, Dr. Henry Leffman, Lewis Historical Publishing Company, James B. Laux, George deB. Myers, Hon. James T. Mitchell, Dr. Charles K. Mills, E. Spencer Miller, Miss E. E. Massey, Col. John P. Nicholson, Hon. Samuel W. Pennypacker, George Cadwalader Rodgers, Walter George Smith, Miss M. E. Sinnott, Henry W. Shoemaker, Mrs. M. C. Scattergood, Frank H. Taylor, Mrs. M. S. Taylor, Dr. C. H. Vinton, John R. Witteraft, Mrs. Ashbel Welch, Miss Juliana Wood, Mrs. William H. Westervelt.

Meetings.

January 12, 1914. Address delivered by Robert McNutt McElroy, Ph.D., Edwards Professor of American History at Princeton University, on "Andrew Jackson and the Annexation of Texas."

March 9, 1914. Address delivered by Edward P. Cheyney, LL.D., Professor of European History in the University of Pennsylvania, on "The English People in the Sixteenth Century."

May 11, 1914. Address delivered by Sydney George Fisher, Esq., LL.D., on "The Stone Age Men of the Delaware Valley."

November 9, 1914. Address delivered by Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, on "The Old Patterson Mansion, the Master and his Guests." Mrs. Florence S. Stauffer read a biographical sketch of her husband, the late David McNeely Stauffer, and then presented to the Society, Westcott's History of Philadelphia, which he had extra illustrated in thirty-two volumes.

Four receptions were held during the year.